**NEW JERSEY CLEAN WATER COUNCIL**  
**September 13, 2011**  
**Meeting Highlights**

**Location:**  
NJ Environmental Infrastructure Trust, 3131 Princeton Pike, Building 6 – Suite 201, Lawrenceville, NJ

**Members Present:**

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<td>Ferdows Ali, NJ Dept of Agriculture</td>
<td>Gerry Skrajewski, MFCE, NJDEP</td>
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<td>George Bakun, PE – Business &amp; Industry</td>
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<td>Stan Cach, PE, PP, BCEE – NJDEP, Liaison</td>
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<td>Amy Goldsmith – General Public</td>
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<td>Jim Requa, PhD – NJ Dept of Community Affairs</td>
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<td>Tony Valente, Dept of Labor</td>
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<td>Dan Van Abs, PhD, PP – General Public</td>
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The meeting was called to order by Jessica Sanchez at 10:10 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF JUNE’S and JULY’S 2011 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:**  
The Highlights for June’s and July’s meetings were distributed. Dan Van Abs made a motion to approve both sets of meeting Highlights, and Amy Goldsmith seconded the motion. The Highlights for the June and July meetings were approved.

**DEP UPDATE:**

**Asset Management** - Stan Cach reported that he had attended meetings with Fred Sickels, Director of the Division of Water Supply, who has been spearheading the strategy for the Department regarding Asset Management. Michele Putnam, Director of the Division of Water Quality, has asked Stan to include the wastewater side. Ellen Gulbinsky, Executive Director of the Association of Environmental Authorities, is crafting some recommendations from the teleconference call she had with wastewater agencies on how to encourage asset management.

**Water Quality Management Plan** - One stakeholder meeting was held about 5 weeks ago to solicit comments. Suzanne Dice-Goldberg, NJDEP, is handling these comments.

**Other** - The DEP staff has been busy assisting in the preparation for, and aftermath of, Hurricane Irene.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Public Hearing on Asset Management** Commissioner Bob Martin will be keynote at the Public Hearing and present the Department’s Asset Management position. The Department’s Asset Management position will be a coordinated effort with DCA, BPU and NJEIT. The Department will be inviting Mr. Steve Allbee, USEPA-Headquarters,
USEPA’s recognized authority on Asset Management and Sustainability to speak at the Public Hearing.

Dan Van Abs said that Alan Dillon should have a good checklist of specific asset management actions for the Department to start from. It is anticipated that the Department’s Asset Management Announcement will be coordinated with the Department’s Communication Office and posted on the Department’s Website.

Dan moved to have November 30th as the new date for the Public Hearing. It was seconded by Jim Requa and unanimously approved. After discussion, it was decided to have the hearing title be “When Success is the Only Option”.

It was recommended to invite Legislative Staff to the Public Hearing. Also, it was recommended to have the League of Municipalities widely distribute an e-mail about the upcoming Public Hearing. CWC members are expected to circulate the Public Hearing “Save the Date” Notice to each of their respective constituencies and members.

**NEW BUSINESS:**
Jessica asked if there were additional focal issues the CWC should be addressing. Innovative Technology and Energy Efficiency is an area the Council is interested in. Next year’s public hearing topic could be related to technological and cost-saving innovations in infrastructure.

The Council requested an update from DEP staff on the Water Quality Inventory Report at the October Meeting.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
Amy Goldsmith announced an Autumn Toast to a Healthy Environment Benefit that is being held on October 2nd @ Laurita Winery in New Egypt. The proceeds benefit NJ Environmental Federation’s Programs for Clean Water and Air, Open Space, Healthy Communities, and Environmental Justice.

**ADJOURNMENT:**
The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 am with a motion from Ferdows Ali, and it was seconded by Tony Valente.

** The next meeting of the Clean Water Council will be held on Tuesday, October 11th, beginning at 10:00 a.m., at the NJ Environmental Infrastructure Trust, 3131 Princeton Pike, Building #6 – Suite 201, Lawrenceville, NJ. **